

Shaeffer, head of the department, assisted by Miss Gladys Michaels, and C. T. Marshall, instructors, the School of Music presented its quarterly recital November 23 in Wilson Hall.

Works of the great composers were presented by the students of the voice, organ, and piano departments. Voice soloists were Ellen Fairlamb, Richmond, Evelyn Faught, Singers Glen, Sue Boles, Strasburg, and LaFayette Carr, Galax; piano: Anna Kidd, Scotsville, Mary Davidson, Jonesville, Geraldine Douglas, Free Union, and Marie Walker, Kilmarnock; organ: Margaret Young, Lynchburg, Lena Mundy, Harrisonburg, and Elsie Jarvis, Mathews.

Nine pupils of Miss Michaels presented a piano recital at the Conservatory a week previous, on November 16.

Under the sponsorship of the Waterman and Main Street Parent Teachers Associations, the play *Hansel and Gretel* was presented in Wilson Hall November 19 by the Clare Tree Major Children's Theatre. Two performances were given in the afternoon, the first to over 1300 children and to citizens of Harrisonburg, and the second to students of the college and holders of the lyceum tickets.

The local P. T. A.'s are making an effort to bring the Children's Theatre back in February for a presentation of "Little Men."

A total of over \$100 was collected from the various dormitories in the annual Red Cross Roll Call on the campus during the 10 days preceding Thanksgiving.

The drive was in charge of Blanche Griffin, Wakefield, assisted in various buildings by Dorothy Lee Winstead, Norfolk; Agnes Arnold, Nassawaddox; Martha Lee Martin, Staunton; Pauline Buchanan, Norfolk; Mary Louise Sydnor, Ashland; Geneva Lee Poole, Red Oak; Christine Rose, Blue Spring Run; Mary E. Steele, Stephens City; Virginia Shreckhise, Mt. Sidney;

Nancy Earman and Janet Miller, Harrisonburg, and Marilyn Faulconer, Unionville.

Lurlene Walker, Bedford, was elected president of Alpha Rho Delta, organization of Latin students, at a recent meeting of the club. Other new officers chosen were Elsie Jarvis, Mathews, secretary; Lucille Whitmire, Norton, treasurer, and Mary Ellen Smith, Clifton Forge, chairman of the program committee.

ALUMNAE NOTES

The Alumnae Luncheon was held at the John Marshall Hotel in Richmond on November 25. Much credit is due the Richmond alumnae who planned and arranged for the luncheon and who also engaged a room at the same hotel for use of alumnae attending the conference on Wednesday and Thursday. In addition to members of the faculty, these alumnae attended:

Ruth Paul Browning, '26, Richmond; Lucille Keeton, '32; Alexandria; Edyth Monahan, '30, Alexandria; Gladys Charlton, '35, Norfolk; Mary V. Grogan, '34, Ridgeway; Nellie Cowan, '31, Norfolk; Linda Carter, '21, Norfolk; Fannie R. Brown, '36, Richmond; Margaret Herd, '34; Richmond; Peg Willis, '25, New Castle; Odelle Bean Rosenberger, '29, Richmond; Mary Cook Lane, '14, Brazil; Ella Stover, '31, Portsmouth; Evelyn Wilson Gunter, '31, Richmond; Mary Brown, Allgood, '30, Richmond; Dorothy Spooner Garber, '20, Harrisonburg; Mollie Clark, '29, Chatham; Mattie Hodnett, '31, Sutherland; Frances Snyder Avery, '31, Roanoke; Ruth Witt, '19, Roanoke; Mary Finney Smith, '29, Richmond; Jerrine Patterson, '36, Schoolfield; Anna Haley, '37, Front Royal; Mary Spitzer, '34, Waynesboro; Henrietta Blanton, '31, Richmond.

Shirley Miller, '31, a former president of the Alumnae Association, is teaching in the Radford school system this year. She has previously taught in Charlottesville and Mt. Jackson.

MARRIAGES

The day before Thanksgiving was a favored wedding day for some of our alumnae. One bride selecting November 24 for her wedding day was Rachel Keller, '35, who married Mr. Will Larrick Owings of Washington. The ceremony was performed in the Emmanuel Reformed Church at Fishers Hill. Her maid-of-honor was her sister, Mildred Keller, who is a student at H.T.C., and her bridesmaids were Martha Keller, '31, and Iris Keller, who is also a student at H. T. C.

Since her graduation Mrs. Owings has taught in the schools of Fairfax County. Mr. Owings is connected with the Washington office of the American Automobile Association.

Mary Boone Murphy, '29, and Mr. Robert S. Bailey of Kinsale were married in Nomini Episcopal Church at Mount Holly on November 24. Her only attendant was her sister, Mrs. Eliza Murphy Thompson of Charleston, W. Va.

On the same day, Lee Warren Hammer, of Harrisonburg, was married to Mr. John Larrick Zirkle of Broadway at the home of

her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hammer. For several years after her graduation, Mrs. Zirkle taught home economics in Appomattox County and recently has been in Washington, D. C.

On November 9, Eleanor Blandene Harding, '35, of Waynesboro, and Mr. George R. Runkle of Stanardsville and Waynesboro were married in Charlottesville. Mr. and Mrs. Runkle are making their home in Waynesboro, where Mr. Runkle is with the Du Pont Company.

A few weeks ago Elizabeth Rhoades of Culpeper was married to Mr. William Allen Spillman, also of Culpeper. Mrs. Spillman has been teaching in the schools of Culpeper County.

OUR CONTRIBUTORS

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LAUGHTER

WILL a day come when the race will detect the funniness of these juvenilities and laugh at them—and by laughing at them destroy them? For your race, in its poverty, has unquestionably one really effective weapon—laughter. Power, money, persuasion, supplication, persecution—these can lift at a colossal humbug—push it a little—weaken it a little, century by century; but only laughter can blow it to rags and atoms at a blast. Against the assault of laughter nothing can stand. You are always fussing and fighting with your other weapons. Do you ever use that one? No; you leave it lying rusting. As a race, do you ever use it at all? No; you lack sense and the courage.

MARK TWAIN, in *The Mysterious Stranger*